

Arizona Sanitarians Council

Minutes of the Council's meeting on Friday, December 3, 2004

Council Members Present: Suzanne Ehrlich, Harlan Lee, David Ludwig, Ernest Arvisu and Don Herrington

Council Members Absent: None

Don Herrington called the meeting to order at 10:10 am at the Arizona Department of Health Services, 1740 W. Adams, Phoenix, AZ.

1. The Council established dates for the Sanitarian Council meetings and Registered Sanitarian examinations for 2005. Meeting dates will be March 3, June 2, September 1, and December 1. Examination dates will be January 27, April 28, July 28, and October 27.
2. The Council discussed offering additional examinations each year to assist people who live in remote areas. The Council will study the feasibility of offering an additional examination each year in Tucson and in Flagstaff. Discussions also involved the use of Community College proctors to assist in offering additional examinations.
3. The Council discussed CEU's. Manner of pre-approval for conferences and posting of available training opportunities in Arizona. If conferences will provide the Council with an agenda, pre-approval can be offered so that participants will know how many CEU's will be awarded. Additionally, as web based and other distance learning opportunities are evaluated a list will be developed with available CEU's.
4. The Council signed the registration certificates for the applicants that passed the Sanitarian Examination in October 2004. Eight people passed the examination taken on October 28, 2004. There were 14 people who took the exam, for a 57% pass rate.
5. Seven applicants were approved to take the examination and one other was approved contingent on receiving necessary documentation. Two applicants were not approved. Two applicants were approved for reciprocity and one applicant was approved for reciprocity contingent on receiving necessary documentation.
6. Suzanne Ehrlich contacted the counties she represents on the Council and asked if there were topics that she could present to the Council on their behalf. Some of the issues presented were, 1) raising the standard of education in Arizona to a Bachelor of Science degree from the present level of 30 semester hours of natural science with a grade of "C" or better, 2) accepting NEHA registration instead of just State registrations for reciprocity and, 3) developing specialty registrations within the R.S. category to reflect expert knowledge within a given discipline. Suzanne made a motion for the Council to examine the possibility of a rule change to reflect these issues. Ernest Arvisu seconded the motion.
7. The next Council meeting was set for 10:00 a.m., March 3, 2005 at 150 N. 18th Avenue, Room 415B. The upcoming examination is set for 1:00 p.m., January 27, 2005 at 1740 West Adams, Room 411.

8. With no further business before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Don Herrington
Chair